

MRS. MCCARTHY'S NEWSLETTER

FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 19-23, 2016

Curriculum

Writer's Workshop— This week we will learn the correct formation for the upper and lowercase letters L, I and T. Students will also be introduced to the sight words I and can this week. Lastly, students will hear two different poems and write about what they can do.

Reader's Workshop— This week students will hear the story *If You Give a Mouse a Cookie* by Laura Numeroff. Students will learn the vocabulary

words generous, nuisance, energetic and exhausted. Later in the week students will hear the story *Mouse Goes to School* and we will compare and contrast the stories. We will also do some rhyming activities this week.

Math— Starting this week we will start working in our math workbooks. The page your child works on will be sent home for you to see what they did. Students will also be introduced

to graphing this week as we graph and compare two numbers. Students will work with horizontal and vertical graphs.

Theme— This week we will be learning about shapes. Students will complete a shape book and learn the vocabulary words small, medium and large. Students will also make a design using shapes and work on sorting, counting and graphing shapes.

Need to Know

- ◆ Your child is more than welcome to have a water bottle at their table spot throughout the day if they so desire. Please feel free to send one in!
- ◆ The Healthy Snack Program starts on Monday. If your child is not signed up for the snack program, please make sure you pack a healthy snack in their book bag each day. A list was sent home regarding appropriate choices for a snack by The Smart Choices Committee.
- ◆ Picture Day is on Thursday, September 22nd.
- ◆ Library books need to be returned the next day we have library in order for students to get a different book. Please check your child's calendar to see when we have library next (computer/library are the same thing).

MRS. MCCARTHY'S CORNER

October Conferences

Families,

Due to my maternity leave, I will be absent during conference time—October 17th, 18th and 19th. As an alternative, you will get to choose whether to have a phone or email conference with me regarding your student. These will take place the last week of September—September 26th through the 30th. Please let me know if you prefer a phone or email conference so I can start preparing. If you choose a phone conference, my availability is 7:45 AM to 8:30 AM, 1 PM to 2 PM and 3:30 PM to 4:00 PM.

Let me know if you have any questions regarding this information.
Thank you for your flexibility!